

What is claimed is:

1. ~~A shingle remover, comprising:~~

✓ a pliers having an upper jaw opposing a lower jaw, said upper jaw coupled to a first handle, said lower jaw coupled to a second handle, said first handle pivotally coupled to said second handle;

an upper plate coupled to said upper jaw;

a lower plate coupled to said lower jaw; and

an anvil coupled to said pliers.

2. The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein the anvil is fixed to at least one of said plates.

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3. The shingle remover of claim 1, further comprising:

an elongated rod that couples said anvil to said pliers;

a sliding hammer movably mounted on said elongated rod.

4. The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein said upper jaw is pivotally coupled to said first handle.

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5. The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein said lower jaw is pivotally coupled to said second handle.

6. ~~The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein said pliers is a Vise Grip®.~~

7. ~~The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein said upper plate is pivotally coupled to said upper jaw.~~

8. ~~The shingle remover of claim 1, wherein said lower plate is pivotally coupled to said lower jaw.~~

9. A method for removing a shingle that is fixed to a substrate, including:

gripping the shingle between two plates;
imparting a sudden force to an anvil coupled to said plates; and
pulling the shingle from the substrate.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein the sudden force is imparted by a hammer.

11. The method of claim 9, wherein the sudden force is imparted by a sliding hammer traveling on an elongated rod that is coupled to said plates.

12. The method of claim 9, wherein a nail that fixed the shingle to the substrate remains in the substrate, and further including shearing off a part of the nail.

13. The method of claim 9, wherein a nail that fixed the shingle to the substrate remains in the substrate, and further including pulling the nail out of the substrate.

14. The method of claim 9, wherein a nail that fixed the shingle to the substrate remains in the substrate, and further including pushing the nail further into the substrate.

15. ~~A system for removing a shingle from a substrate, including:~~

means for gripping a shingle; *and*

means for applying a force to said means for gripping the shingle sufficient to pull the ~~shingle from the substrate.~~

16. ~~The system of claim 15, wherein the shingle is fastened to the substrate with a fastener, and further including means for removing the fastener after the shingle is pulled from the substrate.~~

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